



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Higgins

Serial No.: 10/797,272

Filed: March 10, 2004

Confirmation No.: 2948

For: **METHOD FOR IN-FURNACE REDUCTION  
AND CONTROL OF SULFUR TRIOXIDE**

Examiner: K. Rinehart

Art Unit: 3749

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND  
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

This amendment is in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 22, 2006 and the accompanying Request for Continuing Examination. Please provide a two-month extension of time for this response. This firm's check in the amount of \$620 is enclosed for the RCE and Extension. However, if any additional Extension of Time or other fees for the accompanying response are required, Applicant requests that this be considered a Petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account 501923.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this response.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this response.

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